

Melissa Engel, a fifth-grader at Meridian Middle School in Buffalo Grove, is one of many children suffering from severe food allergies. Every day, these kids face life-threatening dangers from foods we take for granted--milk, eggs, wheat, peanuts, gluten and more. After meeting with Melissa and her mother, I knew we needed to develop a policy for managing the risk of food allergies in schools. That is why I am a proud co-sponsor of H.R. 4063, the Food Allergy and Anaphylaxis Management Act of 2005. This important legislation would help our schools keep kids safe while fully preparing for emergency situations.